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RE:

Voluntary Municipal Water Project

Dear Resident:

As you know, a voluntary municipal water project is taking place in the Village this year. There are currently 523 homes signed up to take part in this project. Once this project is completed, 86% of the Village will have access to municipal water.

As part of this project, a water main will be going down your street. At this time, your home has not signed up for the project. Therefore, your home would not be receiving a connection to municipal water. While it is each individual homeowner's decision to choose to join the project, we want to make sure you understand the scope of the project and costs.

The cost for the public infrastructure has come down 14% from initial estimates. The pre-pay price by April 1, 2015 for those who connect to the water system is set at \$11,984. If additional properties join, the price will be lowered proportionately. There are six payment options, including paying the public infrastructure portion through 20 year B Bond financing with the first payment due January 31, 2017.

Details on the payment options are available on the Village website or at Village Hall. However, **April 1**, **2015** is the last date for your home to sign up and be eligible for this installment financing of the public portion of the project. You may be able to join the project after April 1; however, public financing will not be available to you and connection cannot be guaranteed as it will be dependent on the construction timeline.

If you were to decide to connect after this project has been completed you will pay additional construction costs. That includes current project costs plus the construction costs at the time to dig up the line and make the connection. For example, homeowners eligible for the 2013 project that did not connect in 2013 but connect now, would pay 50% more. Connection to the public main with a private lateral and interior plumbing would also be required.

Additionally, property owners that participate in the 2015 project will receive a credit from the Mequon Water Utility which is \$1,080 off the cost of the public water main. Project participants will also receive annual refunds from sign-ups that occur after the project is complete. Each homeowner will be eligible for these refunds for up to ten years.

We understand the complexity in this voluntary process. If you are interested in signing up or have questions on the project, please contact Rebecca VanRegenmorter, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Community and Utility Services, at rvanreg@bayside-wi.gov or 414-351-8812.

Respectfully,

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